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France worried by Iran's 'hegemonic' intentions, FM tells Saudis

November 16, 2017 timesofisrael.com reported: "France is worried by Iran's 'hegemonic' intentions in the Middle East, French Foreign Minister Jean-Yves Le Drian said Thursday.

At a press conference with his Saudi counterpart Adel al-Jubeir, Le Drian echoed Riyadh's concerns over Iranian 'intervention in regional crises' and 'hegemonic' intentions in the region.

'I'm thinking specifically about Iran's ballistic program,' Le Drian added. Le Drian focused on Lebanon and its Prime Minister Saad Hariri in his comments to reporters, saying the Middle Eastern country should be 'protected from foreign interference.'..."



Iran

Hamas spokesman: We will never recognize Israel

November 16, 2017 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: "'A spokesman for the Hamas terrorist group stressed on Wednesday that the group will never recognize Israel.

The spokesman, Sami Abu Zuhri, said Hamas would remain faithful to its principles and will act to implement the national reconciliation and unite the Palestinian people behind the Palestinian problem, Jerusalem, the resistance and the prisoners until the last grain of the land is liberated. He spoke at the opening session of the 26th International Conference of the Association of Islamic Organizations (ESAM) taking place in Istanbul.

'Hamas has succeeded in turning the resistance from a limited one into a people's culture which is a source of pride,' declared Abu Zuhri.

'Therefore, those who say they want to stop the resistance and dismantle the arms of the resistance [organizations] are delusional, because these dreams will not come true as the resistance is strong and capable,' he added..."

Black death plague ravaging Madagascar will 'get WORSE' as antibiotics AREN'T working

November 15, 2017 dailystar.co.uk reported: "At least 165 people have been killed by the devastating outbreak of an airborne disease spreading like wildfire in Madagascar. Around another 2,000 people have been struck down by the – called pneumonic plague – by the lethal "medieval disease".

Infection and immunity expert Dr Matthew Avison, of University of Bristol, has revealed the outbreak in east Africa is likely to become more serious before the "crisis" ends. Speaking exclusively to Daily Star Online, Dr Avison said because the disease is "extremely rare" it has been "resilient" to antibiotics.

"Because this disease is extremely rare, it doesn't get exposed to antibiotics that often," he said.

"That means it's more resistant to antibiotics and the risk of death is higher."

However, he said if antibiotics are handed out quickly then the disease "can still be treated". Failure to do so could result in the outbreak – the "worst in 50 years" – spreading to other continents, including Europe and the US, he warned. "It's starting to be a big problem," he said.

"The worry is it's going to spread to other countries if not properly contained. There is evidence that is happening already.

"It's will probably get worse before it gets better."

Officials from the World Health Organisation (WHO) have warned there is a risk the disease could spread to other continents. Scientists also believe the disease – which can kill in 24 hours – could become untreatable in the future if the virus mutates..."

Cross-Dressing 'Queer Role Models' Read to Toddlers to Stop 'Hate Crimes'

November 14, 2017 Breitbart.com reported: "Men dressed as women are being brought into UK nursery schools as 'queer role models' for two and three-year-olds to stop them committing 'hate crimes' later in life.

Drag Queen Story Time (DQST) holds sessions at taxpayer-funded schools, community centres, and libraries at which children learn songs about 'transgender' teddy bears, as cross-dressers teach about homophobia, misogyny, and racism, and read books which promote 'queer' and LGBT lifestyles.

The project — which nursery bosses say will help children 'see people who defy rigid gender restrictions' — is to hold sessions at seven nurseries run by the London Early Years Foundation (LEYF) over the winter, which if successful will be rolled out across all the foundation's 37 sites, the Mail on Sunday reports.

Founder Tom Canham explained that DQST targets two and three-year-olds in order to prevent 'hatred' later in life, claiming infants have yet to develop prejudice at that age..."

North Korea at UN warns U.S. carriers are fueling tensions

November 14, 2017 SpaceDaily.com reported: "North Korea warned at the United Nations Monday that the deployment of three US aircraft carriers in joint navy drills with South Korea was fueling tensions that could lead to nuclear war.

North Korea's Ambassador Ja Song Nam said in a letter to UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres that this was 'the worst ever situation prevailing in and around the Korean peninsula.'

The first such deployment of three US carriers since 2007 'is making it impossible to predict when nuclear war breaks out due to the US nuclear war equipment' taking up a 'strike posture,' wrote the ambassador.

The four-day exercise in the western Pacific involving the USS Ronald Reagan, USS Nimitz and USS Theodore Roosevelt began on Saturday and included seven South Korean vessels including three destroyers.

The ambassador said the United States had reactivated round-the-clock sorties by B-52 strategic bombers and was making frequent flights of B-1B and B-2 bombers in the air space of South Korea.

‘The large scale nuclear war exercises and blackmails... make one conclude that the option we have taken was the right one and we should go along the way to the last,’ wrote Ja...”

Report: Islamic Jihad raises state of readiness to ‘highest level’

November 14, 2017 The Jerusalem Post reported: “Amid increasing tensions between Israel and Islamic Jihad, the militant group has raised its state of readiness to its ‘highest level,’ according to a report in the London-based Arabic newspaper Al-Hayat. Senior sources in the Gaza-based militant group stated that, should Islamic Jihad choose to act against Israel, any action would be ‘for purposes of self-defense’ and ‘deterrence.’

The group also said that they are ‘closely monitoring’ Israeli activity, including watching civilians in Gaza border communities. The increased state of readiness comes, according to the report, as the IDF carries out a military exercise near the Gaza Strip.

Amid the war of words, the IDF moved its Iron Dome missile defense systems to the center of the country on Monday. Recent tensions come after repeated threats exchanged between the IDF and Islamic Jihad, after the IDF destroyed an Islamic Jihad-constructed tunnel in late October, killing 12 Palestinian militants...”

Black death plague death toll RISES – officials admit there IS risk of global outbreak

November 13, 2017 dailystar.co.uk reported: “After Daily Star Online reported the disease ravaging Madagascar has killed 143 people, the deadly plague has now claimed 165. And with at least another 2,000 being infected, fears of a global outbreak has doubled after the World Health Organisation’s latest update.



Officials at the world health body have now admitted there is a real risk the disease could spread to Europe, the US and across the globe. They are pinning their hopes, however, on a range of emergency measures being put in place to stop this from happening. This disease – which can kill in just 24 hours – has sparked global panic especially as a similar outbreak of Black Death killed off one third of medieval Europe – and that was a staggering 50 million people.

The latest disease is a more virulent form that spreads through coughing, sneezing or spitting and is almost always fatal if untreated.

A spokesman for the WHO said, although the growth in the number of cases is slowing down, they now fear a series of devastating “flare ups”.

The spokesman said: “While the number of new cases and hospitalizations due to plague is declining in Madagascar, WHO cannot rule out the possibility of flare ups of additional cases until the typical plague season ends in April 2018, and thus recommends maintaining vigilance until then.

“Based on available information and response measures implemented to date, the potential risk of further spread of plague at national level remains high.”...”

Iran-Iraq earthquake kills at least 67, injures more than 500, officials say

November 12, 2017 FoxNews.com reported: “At least 67 people were killed and more than 500 others were hurt in a powerful earthquake on the Iran-Iraq border region Sunday, Iranian officials revealed. The quake had a magnitude of 7.3, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) announced, as reports of serious structural damage started to emerge.

The Islamic Republic of Iran News Network quoted the head of the country's emergency medical services, Pirhossein Koulivand, as saying at least 61 had been killed and 300 injured on Iran's side of the border.

Iranian state TV also said Iraqi officials reported at least six people dead inside Iraq, along with more than 50 people injured in Sulaymaniyah province and about 150 in Khanaqin city. No reports were immediately available from Iraq's government.”...”

Terror group: Israeli threats 'a declaration of war'

November 12, 2017 Arutz Sheva 7 reported: “The Islamic Jihad terror organization responded Sunday morning to Israeli warnings against retaliation for Israel’s recent destruction of the terror tunnel network near Gaza. Major General Yoav Mordechai, the Coordinator of Government Activities in the Territories (COGAT), on Saturday night warned the terrorist organizations in Gaza that Israel will respond to any act of retaliation for the destruction of the terror tunnel that was exposed in Israeli territory two weeks ago.

‘We are aware of the plot being waged by the Palestinian Islamic Jihad against Israel. They are playing with fire on the backs of the residents of the Gaza Strip and at the expense of internal Palestinian reconciliation and the region as a whole,’ Mordechai said in an Arabic-language video he posted to YouTube.

‘It should be clear,’ he added, ‘that for every Islamic Jihad response, wherever it is, Israel will respond with force and determination, not only to the Jihad but also to Hamas.’

‘We advise the Islamic Jihad leadership in Damascus to exercise caution and control matters,’ Mordechai said...”

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